

Dr. Malcolm M. Lockhart

Fourteen years ago, at the inception of the University established as a memorial to William Jennings Bryan, the founders of the Bryan Memorial University Association called to be director of the promotional work a man whose experience and whose strong Christian testimony and convictions amply qualified him for that responsible position.

A short few weeks ago, on April 30, 1940, that man, Dr. Malcolm Lockhart, went to be with the Lord whom he loved and served.

Dr. Lockhart himself would have been the first to say that he was but an instrument in the hands of the Lord; but for those years when the University was coming into being, it was as a strong and true instrument, shaping its policies and planning for its future, that he served.

It was through the efforts of Dr. Lockhart that the Charter of the University, a document affirming its firm stand for the "faith of our fathers," was granted by the state of Tennessee. It was he who formulated the statement of Belief, modeled upon a statement adopted by a group of evangelical believers who met in an historic conference in Philadelphia in 1920. His endeavors and influence secured the group of men and women who became the first trustees of the University, and it was at his invitation that Dr. George E. Guille accepted the presidency.

When Dr. Guille died, after having been president less than a year, Dr. Lockhart as vice-president assumed the responsibility as acting president and later as president of the University. It was in this capacity that he invited to the staff such men as Dr. Currens, Prof. Bjerregaard, President Rudd, and others. So it was just as the founders of the University, led by prayer for guidance, chose Dr. Lockhart, he in turn was used by the Lord in the

EXPLANATIONS ARE IN ORDER

If, in reading through these columns you find room for improvement, remember out of the goodness of your heart the summer has come and when summer comes students go, leaving their duties behind them. With a greatly curtailed corps of workers in the University during the summer months—even more curtailed this summer than heretofore, it seems—it is almost next to impossible to carry on all the necessary tasks.

Posters for three groups of singers have to be printed in plenty of time to serve their intended purposes, regardless of other work. Tracts and forms must be supplied when needed; and even NEWSLETTE continues to be in demand of attention, though the staff are on vacation and even the regular printers are many miles away.

And the new catalogue? Begun by the regular force, but finished by novices, we send it, this copy of NEWSLETTE, and all other pieces of literature with the prayer that they will be used of the Lord, despite the lack of perfection and that you, reader friend, will not be too harsh in your judgment of hands whose skill and good intentions are, indeed, at great extremes.

choice of those who were to carry on. As a valuable link in the chain by which God assures the continuity of His work, Dr. Lockhart was His man for those years.

When in 1933 he was forced to resign because of ill-health, Dr. Lockhart left the University but not the respect and love of those who were to carry on the work begun under his leadership. As the University extends its sympathy to his family, who will miss him most, it also pays—both as an institution and as a group of individuals—a tribute of affection and respect and gratitude for the sincere and valuable service, for the years of his life which Dr. Malcolm Lockhart gave in this service "as unto the Lord."—L. E. F.

WHAT WAS DONE

The last day of May brought the close of the fiscal year, but did not stop the flow of dollars coming to the University from many friends in various parts of the United States. We wished that we might include later receipts to achieve our objectives; but on the first day of June we closed our books, and the adding machine showed our gift income for May to be a little over \$1,900.00 and our gift income for the twelve months to be a little over \$15,000.00. In falling short of our objective by nearly \$5,000.00 we would have been far more disappointed had not other sources of income been considerably more than we had anticipated and counted on. In spite of this disappointment and in spite of discouraging world and national conditions, we look forward the coming year with confidence that it will be a still better year than those which have gone before—a year in which the dollars coming in after the deadline, in the form of quarters and dollar bills, will give us a good start.

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Quartets Enjoying Summer Services

Western Group

"The first day of our trip is now history . . . after church service we were taken to dinner and had quite a variety of food, some eighteen or nineteen different things . . . to a little country church for an afternoon service . . . radio service at eight this morning. Rejoicing that He is blessing us with a fine spirit among ourselves. Stopped this morning to have our devotions under a large tree, and the Lord blessed us as we read His Word and talked with Him. . . There were two professions of the Lord in our service at Gadsden. . . About a thousand attended the evening service—(Birmingham, Ala.) . . . We are in the radio station just now so we

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—God Above All—

PEACE

ROLAND F. MCILNAY

Jesus said, "My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you" (John 14:27). In some of the old castles are found deep wells which were meant to supply the garrison in time of siege. An aqueduct bringing water from without would be at the enemy's mercy; but over the well inside the foe has no power. The peace the world seeks depends on one's surroundings; in time of trouble its sources are cut off, like a spring outside the castle walls. But the peace Christ gives is that of the spring within, most precious in hours of need!

Did you ever wonder why we have wars? There is an answer in the Scriptures. "From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?" (James 4:1). Man's natural heart is a potential pit of sin, Mark 7:20-23. Isaiah is very plain when he writes, "But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked" (57:20, 21). The world wants peace, but not the Prince of Peace. Man loves to be the author of a treaty or covenant that glitters on the outside, and parades itself with many promises and personal gain. However, when seasoned with a little age the putrid corruption of lies and deceit perfume the atmosphere. Man-made peace fades like the dew in the morning sun. Nevertheless, the student of the Word knows that in a little while there will be a reign of righteousness and peace on this earth, but only when Christ, the Prince of Peace, re-

turns. Read carefully the second and twenty-fourth Psalm; Isaiah, chapters eleven and thirty-two.

It is not that we need a change of conditions or surroundings. We NEED men with changed HEARTS! God, His Son, and His Word are left out of the program of the nations. Even in the early history of our own United States we have this piercing statement from the pen of Daniel Webster: "If we (U. S.) abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering and to prosper, but if we and our posterity neglect its instruction and authority no man can tell how suddenly a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity." You readers of history will remember that in the beginning of our national existence the men in the government often met for seasons of prayer seeking the wisdom and help of the Lord. Is it any wonder that we can bring from our files many statements from the pen of high officials at that time concerning their own personal trust in the Son of God and the Holy Scriptures? What a contrast today! Now it is first calling upon men and committees instead of calling upon the Lord!

You will also remember that even free education began in America because God's people desired their children to have an education, particularly in the Word of God. Go to your public library and ask for the early files of the American Journal of Education and as you peruse its pages you will be amazed to find many articles written by school teachers giving successful methods for the evangelization of the school children. Today it is like finding a needle in a hay stack to find a teacher in our public schools who knows even the A B C's of the gospel. Education and evangelism were Siamese twins in the early history of our country.

When any nation becomes indifferent to Christianity nothing but a debacle awaits its national foundations! America, Awake! As a nation let us go back to the Bible, to Christ, to God. Christ made peace by the blood of His cross (Col. 1:20, 21). In Him is the peace that the world cannot give. Peace with God from a troubled heart of sin!

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In reviewing the past year there is cause for real thanksgiving. We rejoice in the God of our salvation. He doeth all things well. Praise Him for withholding as well as for holding! Dormitory and other accommodations for students and staff members were much improved by spending around \$2,000.00 during the year. Creditor obligations were reduced more than \$2,000.00 and a larger student body and staff comfortably housed and well fed. The pro-rata salary total was set at \$5,950.00, in accordance with budget figures, considerably more than for last year, most of which has been paid to the staff in cash. In addition the staff received board, room, laundry, and other concessions amounting to an additional \$4,000.00. While this is not near what the staff should be paid, it was considerably more than for the previous year.

Two things are worthy of special note. The money received during the closing days of the fiscal year permitted a generous down payment on a greatly needed and much larger steam boiler, which was then offered at a special price. Then the payment of outstanding bills saved considerable time in closing the books.

In the name of Christ, we thank each and everyone for his prayers and for his gifts, which made such a successful year possible. Without the larger gifts and without the many small gifts this fine record could not have been made.

Please remember in prayer and in your giving the needs of the University during the lean summer months. We must install the new steam boiler, which will require a new and much larger chimney, and an expensive steam main for connecting it up in the new location. Considerable painting, kalsomining, and other work must be done; and it is hoped that we can construct a number of permanent improvements which will conserve a great deal of heat. A new two-inch water line must replace the thousand or more feet of one-inch line so that the dormitory will not again be faced with frequent water shortage.

Bryan University

MY CREED

"Do not keep the alabaster boxes of your love and tenderness sealed up until your friends are dead. Fill their lives with sweetness. Speak approving, cheering words while their ears hear them, and while their hearts can be thrilled and made happier; the kind things you mean to say when they are gone, say before they go. The flowers you mean to send for their coffins, send to brighten and sweeten their homes before they leave them. If my friends have alabaster boxes laid away, full of fragrant perfumes of sympathy and affection, which they mean to break over my dead body, I would rather they would bring them out in my weary and troubled hours, and open them, that I may be refreshed and cheered by them when I need them. I would rather have a plain coffin without a flower; a funeral without a eulogy, than a life without the sweetness of love and sympathy. Let us learn to anoint our friends beforehand for their burial. Post mortem kindness does not cheer the troubled spirit. Flowers on the coffin cast no fragrance backward over life's weary way."—Rev. W. C. Dutton, Kannapolis, N. C.

STUDENTS ATTEND CONFERENCES

Working with Mr. and Mrs. Hill at Greenwood Hills, Pennsylvania, are Dorothy White, head cook; Jack Smith, second cook, and Louise Post and Lola Goehring.

For the first part of the summer Warren Oliff will be at Camp Lewis Conference, Guage, Kentucky, and for the last month at Camp Peniel Conference at Luzerne, New York.

Robert Jones will be a worker at Bethanna Bible and Missionary Conference at Southampton, Pennsylvania.

Martha Mailander plans to be a counsellor at the Bancroft Bible Camp at Kingsport, Tennessee.

At the Keswick Victorious Life Conference in Keswick Grove, New Jersey, Jean Neff expects to work part of the summer.

For the National Premillennial Fellowship Conference held at Camp Caesar, Cowen, West Virginia, Richard Langford will be assistant camp director; Gordon Matheny will also aid in the camp work.

In preparation for her ministry among the Indians, Mildred Kuntz plans to attend Camp Wycliffe during July and August.

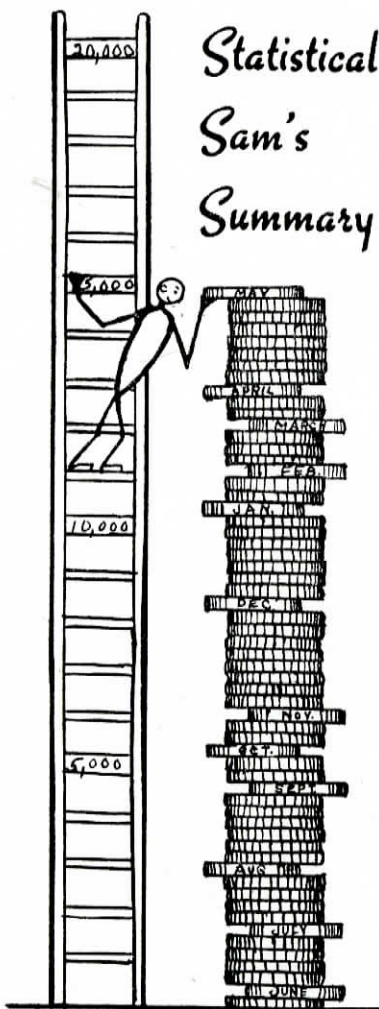
MISSIONARY SPEAKERS

When the Tennessee Mountain Missionaries recently held their meeting at the University, both that group and the Bryan students and faculty were privileged to listen to several missionary messages.

In a most unusual ministry Miss Martha Moennich has traveled in many countries of the world giving the gospel story to peoples of various languages. The Lord has also led her to open new fields and established work among some who have never known Christ. In a most interesting way she related experiences which showed how the Lord very marvelously spared her life in the face of danger and gave her many opportunities for witnessing.

Representing once again the Jewish people, Dr. W. T. Reid of Cincinnati Messianic Testimony, presented the problem of the Jews in the light of prophecy. Through his extensive study of prophetic scriptures, he was able to express some rather astonishing yet logical conclusions in regard to present-day conditions. In another message he explained the power and principle of power to the Father through the Lord Jesus Christ.

During the same week Reverend and Mrs. Charles Lukesh spoke at the chapel service, illustrating the languages in which they have proclaimed the gospel, by singing a gospel song in four languages. Before being driven out by the European war, these missionaries labored in Czechoslovakia, a country where Catholicism is the main religion. Incidents of the conversion of some of the Czechs show the outstanding opportunity for the gospel messenger; yet in the distressing condition of the Nazi oppression, Christians are being severely tested in their faith in God.



In the above illustration each ladder rung represents \$1,000 of income from gifts, each coin representing \$250. Each month's gifts are shown, to the nearest \$250.

The Newsette



Gift Receipts, June 1, '39, to April 30, '40 . \$13,095.29

Gift Receipts during May 1,932.51

Total Gift Receipts during Fiscal Year . . . \$15,027.80

The fiscal year is ended—and I failed to reach my goal! However, I want to thank all the friends who helped me to climb as high as I did. Next year, we'll not fall short.

Sam

VESPER SERVICE

Although it was the first service of its type to be held on Bryan Hill, we hope that it may be the beginning of many equally blessed times of testimony and fellowship. On a Sunday evening, the Bryan family gathered on the brow of the hill overlooking the lake for a vesper service. The theme, "Fulness of Joy," was emphasized by group singing, quotation of scripture verses, and a duet, "I Am Happy in Him," by Connie Penick and Rebecca Peck.

From the Book of Habakkuk, Dr. Gregg showed how the writer had been greatly burdened, but in his concluding words, he shows triumph: "Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation." The fulness of joy in the Christian life will be in one completely surrendered to the Lord's will, however easy or hard it may seem, for then there is real fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

The Juniors took the Seniors, President and Mrs. Judson A. Rudd, Dean D. W. Ryther, and the faculty sponsors of the two classes, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lynip, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fish, respectively, on a delightful voyage Friday night, the starting point being the dining room of the Rhea Springs Hotel, which was decorated with blue and white ladders, helm, and roped-off decks. The Helmsman, Edward Paul, ably led the group into making a Compact, Dean Geary giving the Covenant, and Ruth Dawson replying with the Pledge of the Seniors. Furnishing the atmosphere of the deep sea, Lola Goehring played songs of the sea at intervals during the evening. Seaman Alvin Hall offered a toast to the faculty, and First Mate Dean D. W. Ryther reciprocated with a toast to the Seniors, both using the element on which all those present were sailing—water. Appropriate musical numbers were beautifully given by Gertrude Allen and Mitchell West, accompanied by Mrs. Lynip. The climax of the evening came with Dr. T. W. Calloway's message on "Pioneering," in which he used the story of Jonah and the ark for the basis of the talk, pointing forcefully to our Pilot, Jesus Christ, our Lord. The voyage came to its end with everyone feeling spiritually refreshed.—R. T.

Within the Shadow

Babette Elaine Kaltenbach

When the shadows round me creep,
And the darkness of the deep
Seems to circle me about—
Standing just within the shadow
Where my hand can reach His own,
Where with half an eye to see Him,—
Found by faith and love alone—
Stands the Shepherd of my soul!
Waiting just within the shadow
Where my hand can clasp His own.

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have our last broadcast in the town. Had a good service last night, although only a few people were present. That was our last service in Birmingham for this trip. Altogether we had five radio programs, two transcriptions, eight services in this area, so we are just about sung out. . . Well, here we are on Mt. Nebo and what a beautiful place it is! Our cabin is almost on the edge of the mountain and we can see for miles and miles into the valley. It is rather cloudy this morning so the beauty is somewhat hidden by the low ranging clouds. The wind is blowing with some force and we are rejoicing in the cool atmosphere."

Ohio Group

"We had a very pleasant service last night in Louisville . . . had a full house on Tuesday night, gave us a hearty welcome, also insist we must return. Last night we were with Brother Eastep (Covington, Ky.)—he has a great work—full house awaited us—wonderful time. . . It is still very warm up our way . . . all are well, hope the Bryan family is the same. We have been having fine services, a good attendance last night. Greetings to all."

Eastern Group

"This has been a busy week . . . got up at four this morning to travel from Greenville to Raleigh (for radio service at 7:30) . . . everything is working out fine and everyone seems to be happy. We have felt most welcome everywhere . . . several came forward in tent meeting, some for new start and some for salvation. One came forward for new start in service at Buena Vista. We are praying for more results, and know you folks are praying for us. It looks like the time is short for work. . . Love to all and our prayers for all."

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The first event in honor of the Seniors was a formal May Day Festival, given by the Sophomores, in the Chapel, which was beautifully decorated with crepe paper, flowers, and balloons, the center feature being a huge Maypole with pastel shaded streamers encircling the room.

A short program, following the punch cocktail, included readings by Mary Beth Everson and Ralph Gibson; a duet, "When It's Springtime Up at Bryan," by Margaret Lowe and Leona Wilson; and a radio broadcast which told the Seniors' whereabouts and whatabouts ten years hence.

When Albert Levengood came forward with the crown, May Queen Ruth Toliver was honored by taking her place on the throne, disclosed by pulling back the platform curtains. The attendants chosen for her were Connie Penick, Lillian Hummel, Mabel Arnold, and Ruth Dawson.

After the May Queen cut the huge cake, which was served with ice cream, everyone took an end of a streamer and marched around the Maypole until it was completely wrapped.

While the Juniors entertained the Seniors at their banquet, the Freshmen and Sophomores had a party in the dining hall. The evening was made enjoyable by games, songs, and a unique operation performed by Dr. McMurry. The room was darkened and the operation was witnessed as a silhouette, but it looked as though he really were pulling out of Neil Benfer a chain, rope, tin can, picture and a few other articles.

The group then took a midnight moonlight hike up the Double S Curve, overlooking Chickamauga Lake, so that the University was practically deserted when the Juniors and Seniors returned home.

NUMBERED RECEIPTS FOR GIFTS

In order that the friends of Bryan University may have a fuller report of its stewardship, the University began with this fiscal year, on June 1, 1940, the issuance of numbered receipts for all gifts. From time to time, probably as a supplement to Newsette, a list will be published of all receipts issued for gifts during the period since publication of the previous report.